



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
P.O. Box 1450
ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450
www.uspto.gov

STERNE, KESSLER, GOLDSTEIN & FOX PLLC
1100 NEW YORK AVENUE, N.W.
WASHINGTON DC 20005

MAIL

SEP 28 2004

DIRECTOR OFFICE
TECHNOLOGY CENTER 2600

In re Application of

McClurg, et al.

Application No. 10/725,537

Filed: December 3, 2003

For: SYSTEM FOR OBTAINING PRINT AND
OTHER HAND CHARACTERISTIC
INFORMATION USING A NON-PLANAR
PRISM

:
:
:
:
:
:

DECISION ON PETITION
TO MAKE SPECIAL

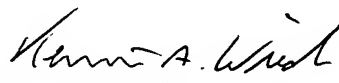
This is a decision on the petition to make special filed August 2, 2004 under MPEP §708.02 (IV), applicant's age.

A petition to make special under MPEP §708.02, IV, must show that petitioner is 65 years of age, or more. Acceptable evidence includes a birth certificate, copy of a driver's license, or simply a statement by the applicant. No fee is required.

The petition includes a statement from one of the co-inventors, in support of the petition, evidencing that he is over 65 years of age.

Accordingly, the petition is **GRANTED**.

The application will retain its special status throughout its entire prosecution, including any appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences, subject only to diligent prosecution by the applicant.


Kenneth Wieder
Special Program Examiner
Technology Center 2600
Communications
(571) 272-2986